

SENATE BILL 1197

By Summerville

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71,
relative to eligibility for medical assistance.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-110(b), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(b) Any application for TennCare enrollment shall include the applicant's legal place of residence in addition to the applicant's address, if the address is different from the applicant's legal place of residence or it or contains a post office box number, and a telephone number. The inability to provide a legal place of residence or telephone number due to homelessness shall not, in itself, preclude eligibility. To the extent permitted by federal law, the application of an individual for medical assistance as a part of the TennCare program shall include a copy of the individual's most recent federal income tax return or other documentation deemed sufficient by the bureau of TennCare or the department of human services to project or determine earnings.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.